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SUBJECT: GOM REQUEST FOR SPACE PHOTOGRAPHS TO GUIDE UNDERGROUND
WATER EXPLORATION

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. OFFICIAL OF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CHARGED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF WATER RESOURCES IN TARFAYA PROVINCE, HAS ASKED WHETHER THE USG HAS AVAILABLE SPACE SHOTS OF SOUTHERN MOROCCO WHICH WOULD BE OF USE IN IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL "WATER POINTS" TO GUIDE THE GOM'S UNDERGROUND WATER EXPLORATION EFFORTS. IF SUCH PHOTOGRAPHS EXIST AND CAN BE FURNISHED, EMBASSY WILL UNDERTAKE TO GET THESE IN PROPER HANDS. END UNCLASSIFIED. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT: GIVEN BORDER PROBLEMS IN AREA AND POTENTIAL NON-ECONOMIC APPLICATION OF SPACE PHOTOGRAPHS, MATERIALS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY SELECTED TO COVER ONLY MOROCCAN SIDE OF BORDER. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. END COMMENT.

2. BEING UNCLASSIFIED. IN SAME DISCUSSION, OFFICIAL SAID GOM INTERESTED IN BUYING WATER WELL DRILLING EQUIPMENT (FOR USE TO 100 METER OR SO) TO SUPPORT AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF REGION, AS WELL AS SEWAGE DISPOSAL UNITS SUITABLE FOR USE IN SMALL TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF SOUTHERN MOROCCO (TARFAYA, TIN-TIN, TIN-TIN PLAGE, SIDI MOUSSA D'ANGLOU, MIRHLEFT, ETC.). FORMAL REQUESTS FOR BID WILL BE FORTHCOMING, BUT EARLY
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